

5. Attempts were made to determine the status of the Executive Pay bill in view of the Hoover Commission recommendation for increased salaries for top CIA officials and the Director's desire to secure action in this regard. Mr. Jones of the Bureau of the Budget informed me that Philip Young, Chairman of the Civil Service Commission, had the matter in hand. Col. White tried to reach Mr. Young and talked with Ismar Baruch, Technical Advisor to the Commission. (See Col. White's Memorandum for the Record dated 1 July 1955). These conversations indicated that the Executive Pay scales would be raised by dollars or percentages within current categories, but would not permit of reallocation of positions between categories. The latter is the major problem in connection with the Director's and Deputy Director's salary. This would leave CIA the alternative of proceeding by its own legislation in connection with these senior positions. I suggested to Col. White that we might be in a greatly strengthened position if the Government Operations Committees, which have jurisdiction over the report on CIA, were to recommend legislation in this connection, thus eliminating the problem of the Director seeking his own raise.

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